Warren County Board of Supervisors

Committee: Gaslight Village Ad Hoc

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Date: MARCH 4, 2013

Committee Members Present: Others Present:

Supervisors Monroe Jeffery Tennyson, Superintendent of Public Works

Kenny Kevin Geraghty, Chairman of the Board

Dickinson Paul Dusek, County Administrator

Joan Sady, Clerk of the Board

Committee Members Absent: Frank Thomas, Budget Officer

Supervisors Merlino Supervisors Conover

Mason Taylor Wood

Mike Swan, County Treasurer

Tanya Brand, Group Tour Promoter

Shawn Raymond, Department of Public Works Walt Lender, Executive Director, Lake George

Association

Bill Lamy, Clark Patterson Lee

John Strough, Town of Queensbury Councilman

Fred Austin, Fort William Henry

Christina Curley, Lake George Regional Chamber of

Commerce and Convention & Visitors Bureau

Don Lehman, The Post Star

Thom Randall, *Adirondack Journal* Anthony Hall, *Lake George Mirror*

Nicole Livingston, Second Deputy Clerk

Mr. Monroe called the meeting of the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Committee meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Kenny, seconded by Mr. Dickinson and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Copies of the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Agenda were provided to the Committee members, and a copy of same is on file with the minutes.

Commencing the Agenda review with New Business, Mr. Monroe advised Item 1 was for discussion regarding the proposal from the Town of Lake George to purchase a share of the Gaslight Village property.

Mr. Dickinson reminded the Committee the Town had made a tentative offer to the County last fall to purchase a share of the Gaslight Village property. He informed that he and the Town's Attorney would be reviewing maps that he requested from Jeff Tennyson, Superintendent of Public Works (DPW), and finalizing the proposal on Wednesday. He noted they would be submitting a final written proposal to the County by the end of the week. Mr.

Monroe asked if the proposal would involve a Town constructed parking on Westbrook Road and Mr. Dickinson replied affirmatively. Mr. Tennyson stated he believed a map existed that would show the south parcel, Westbrook Road, the County parking lot and the north parcel. He recalled a cost estimate of approximately \$110,000 for construction materials and contracting had been released through the Public Works Committee last November.

Mr. Monroe expounded the next item on the Agenda was the Park construction schedule. Mr. Tennyson advised the schedule was for construction of the Festival Space, the Environmental Park and the County parking lot. He advised County forces would begin the initial rough grading of the Festival Space in the spring and demolition of remaining structures there, which would satisfy the local match for grant purposes. He added they were considering improvements to the pedestrian access to Beach Road which required the completion of the land swap due to encroachments and conflicts with fencing located there and would be constructed with Municipal forces. Mr. Tennyson said the goal was for the Festival Space to be under construction the first week of August after the Big Apple Circus left town. The construction, he continued, would involve utility work, irrigation work, more grading and an established turf system to be prepared for the growing season in September and October. He added at the same time the construction of the Festival Space commenced, the Park contracts would be awarded and under construction, as well. He reported the plan was to have the Festival Space completed by fall of this year; the Environmental Park work would continue through the spring of 2014; the earth work and paving of the County parking lot on Westbrook Road would be proceeding in May of 2014 with completion by June.

With regard to the Skateboard Park, Mr. Tennyson apprised that project was proceeding independently because there were no grant funds associated with it, it was funded through the State, the Skateboard Park Committee and the Village of Lake George.

Mr. Monroe informed the land swap was progressing and Mr. Tennyson agreed, noting it was discussed at the Park O&M Committee meeting last week. Mr. Tennyson advised the time frame for the land swap was becoming critical because it was necessary to be able to show ownership rights to the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) for anywhere construction would be taking place.

Mr. Tennyson continued the Agenda review and reported the Naming Rights Agreement was fully executed as of October 17, 2012. Mr. Monroe confirmed payment had been received by the Warren County Treasurer.

Mr. Monroe mentioned that the Park O&M Committee would be working on a maintenance and operation plan, as well as a fee schedule for usage of the Festival Space which would be set to cover the operation and maintenance costs.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion made by Mr. Kenny and seconded by Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Monroe adjourned the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nicole Livingston, Second Deputy Clerk